

Introduced by Senator Alarcon

February 23, 2006

An act to add Section 78010 to the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1546, as introduced, Alarcon. Community colleges: concurrent award of associate degree and high school diploma.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law establishes community college districts throughout the state, and authorizes them to provide instruction to students at the campuses they operate.

Existing law authorizes community colleges to grant the associate in arts and the associate in science degrees. Existing law authorizes community colleges maintaining adult education programs to offer courses leading to high school diplomas pursuant to a mutual agreement with a high school district or unified school district. Existing law also authorizes the governing boards of community college districts maintaining adult schools to prescribe requirements for the granting of adult school diplomas.

This bill would provide that, notwithstanding the provisions referenced above or any other provision of law, a community college district may establish, and offer to qualified students, a course of study leading to the concurrent award of the associate degree and a high school diploma.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 78010 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 78010. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
4 community college district may establish, and offer to qualified
5 students, a course of study leading to the concurrent award of the
6 associate degree and a high school diploma.

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